

SCOTTISH NORTH DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIPS

Inverness

BRITISH 100km international
Simon Pride lived up to his
billing as pre-race favourite by

retaining the senior men's title,
Fraser Clyne reports.

The 31-year-old Keith and District athlete finished ahead of three previous winners with Scottish hill running international Graeme Bartlett (champion in 1984 and 1985) taking second place ahead of Ross Arbuckle (champion in 1987 and 1988) and Alan Reid (champion in 1989, 1992, 1993 and 1996).

Fifth-placed Frank Barton won the M40 prize for the third year in a row and his club lifted the senior team championship for the fourth time on the trot.

Graham Milne finished 26th overall to retain the M50 title and helped Moray win the vets' team award.

There was a surprise in the U17 men's event in which Craig Poole – undefeated in all league races this winter – pulled out through injury, leaving Simon McIntyre to win from Alan Campbell and Simon Mackenzie.

Jamie Stephen won the U15 gold ahead of Adam Watt and Donald McAuley while Graham Welsh retained the U13 crown and led Lochaber to team success. Welsh's four seconds victory over Kyle Hay was the closest race of the afternoon.

Marie Duthie's dominance of the North women's scene this winter continued with another a comfortable win in the senior/U20 race.

Alison Campbell won the U20 prize when finishing runner-up and led Inverness Harriers to a fourth successive team title. Julie Anderson was third.

Inverness Harriers won all three girls' age group team titles with Joanne Logie (U17), Jennifer Main (U15) and far-travelled Shetlander Claire Wilson (U13) collecting the individual golds.

Men

1 S Pride (Keith) 32:53; 2 G Bartlett (Forres) 33:18; 3 R Arbuckle (Keith) 34:02; 4 A Reid (P'head) 34:06; 5 F Barton (Keith, M40) 34:33; 6 P Mathieson (Forres) 34:58; 7 M. Flynn (Moray, M40) 35:12; 8 A Beattie (Forres) 35:55; 9 S. Boyd (Innes) 36:06; 10 W Johnstone (Keith) 36:11; 11 B Law (Keith) 36:30; 12 D Cowie (Forres, M45) 36:46; 13 C McLean (Keith) 36:52; 14 A Munro (Moray) 37:03; 15 S Reeve (Moray)

M50: G Milne (Moray) 38:26

TEAM: 1 Keith & District 563; 2

Moray Road Runners 498

VETERAN TEAM: Moray Road

Runners 261

U17

1 S McIntyre (Innes) 23:38; 2 A Campbell (Black Is) 23:53; 3 S MacKenzie (Black Is) 25:15; 4 R Wyvill (N Uist) 25:25; 5 B Davidson (L'aber) 25:37; 6 K McIntyre (Fraser) 26:07

TEAM: Moray Road Runners 277

U15

1 J Stephen (Black Is) 17:35; 2 A Watt (P'head) 17:53; 3 D McAuley (Nairn) 18:16; 4 B Crawford (Fraser) 18:45; 5 C Stewart (Moray) 18:55; 6 I O'May (Forres) 18:59

TEAM: 1 Moray Road Runners 280;

2 BP Black Isla 277; 3

Inverness Harriers 261

U13

1 G Welsh (L'aber) 11:49; 2 K Hay (Forres) 11:53; 3 S Anderson (P'head) 12:08; 4 S Rodgers (L'aber) 12:14; 5 M Chisholm (L'aber) 12:33; 6 S Lefevre (Nairn) 13:04

TEAM: 1 Lochaber AAC 293; 2

Inverness Harriers 262; 3 BP Black

Isla 261

Women

1 M Duthie (Fraser, W35) 20:01; 2 A Campbell (Innes, U20) 21:53; 3 J Anderson (L'aber) 22:16; 4 A Smart (Innes, W35) 22:52; 5 K Boocock (Innes, W35) 23:31; 6 L Duncan (Innes) 23:35

TEAM: Inverness Harriers 292

U17

1 J Logie (Moray) 19:58; 2 L Clarkson (Innes) 21:03; 3 A Watson (Innes) 21:27; 4 C McLennan (Innes) 21:50

TEAM: Inverness Harriers 294

U15

1 J Main (I'ness) 15:47; 2 M
Spence (I'ness) 15:50; 3 F Spence
(I'ness) 16:00; 4 S Gibb (Fraser)
16:43; 5 L Paton (Black I) 17:00; 6
E Hart (N Uist) 17:09

TEAM: 1 Inverness Harriers 297; 2
Forres Harriers 277

U13

1 C Wilson (Shet) 10:08; 2 A
McArthur (I'ness) 10:44; 3 L
Henderson (I'ness) 11:10; 4 S
Stevenson (I'ness) 11:25; 5 E
Martin (S'way) 11:35; 6 L Tourney
(P'head) 11:41

TEAM: Inverness Harriers 294